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"THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THEM IN THE INN."

Thou, the Eternal Son
Thou of Thy glory shorn ;
Thou, very God of very God
Thou Man of Mary born ;—
Is there no room for Thee
Even in Bethlehem's inn ?
Dost Thou who comest to Thine own
From them no welcome win ?
Dost Thou the bitter Cross
So eagerly embrace
For us, and we for Thee prepare
No poorest dwelling place ?
No room for Thee ? No room
For love and sacrifice
Such as no mortal could conceive
And none but Thee devise ?
O sweetest Jesus, hear !
Thou I am poor indeed,
I know I can provide a spot
To meet Thy lowly need.
Such love as Thine must crave,
Above all other things
The love of those on whom 'tis spent,
And all that loving brings.
For love is shelter, food,
A bed of down, a throne ;
Its very breath obedience
To him whom it doth own.
Come, sweetest Jesus, then.
In this poor heart abide ;
And I shall love Thee more and more
Till Love is satisfied.

—Harriet McEwen Kimball,

GREAT blessings that are won with
prayer are worn with thankfulness.

KEEP the 3000 mark in view.

THINK of it, a five dollar Bible and the
EVANGELIST one year for \$3.50. Less
than half price.

PASTORS, do you know the value of the
Church paper in the homes of your mem-
bers? Read what a Methodist Bishop
says, on another page.

SOME one from Cedar Falls, Iowa, sends
for a catalogue, but neglects to sign any
name. Does the person read the paper?
If so, this remark will be understood by
him.

THE Almanac or Church Year Book will
be ready to mail soon. Pastors, please
make announcement from the pulpit and
take orders for the Almanac. There
should be one copy in every home of the
Brethren, and at ten cents there *can* be.
Per dozen, by mail \$1.00. Send orders
now.

EVANGELIST No. 47 contained an ar-
ticle, entitled "A call to Duty," and was
signed by James W. Goghenour. It now
turns out that the production belongs to
Rosie Myers and was printed in the *Gospel
Messenger*, No. 36, current volume.
Either the author, by mistake, has failed
to give the proper credit, or meant to pass
the production as his own. We trust the
former.

NOT less than five-sixths of all the sub-
scriptions on our books expire with the
end of this year. There should be prompt
renewal. This is an important matter and
should not be delayed. Every old sub-
scriber should renew and make an earnest
effort to secure other subscriptions. We
have mailed order blanks and instructions
to pastors asking them, either to act as
agent, or appoint some in their congrega-
tions who will give the matter personal at-
tention. Sample copies sent upon appli-
cation. Surely the paper is entitled to so
much interest on the part of its subscri-
bers. Help us swell the list to 3000.

IN the article by Brother Wampler we
run short of parentheses, and in their
stead dashes are used, thus,—Apostles,—
means the same as if "Apostles," were
enclosed in parenthesis, thus, (Apostles.)

WHAT more suitable Christmas present
can you give your friend than a year's
subscription to the BRETHREN EVANGEL-
IST? Each week it will remind him of
your thoughtfulness and good judgement.

IF you would be informed on the work-
ings of the Church, its Conferences, and
various organizations, in short, if you
would keep abreast of the times in Church
matters of all kinds, *you should subscribe
for the paper.*

How true are these words from the
Religious Telescope: "It is far easier to
be religious than to be righteous. The
Athenians in Paul's day were very relig-
ious, but very corrupt. It is far easier to
attend church than to lead a pure life.
And yet, it is not being religious, but be-
ing righteous; it is not attending church,
but leading a pure life, that counts in the
eyes of the Lord Jesus."

THE benefits of Church Fairs, is aptly
set forth in the following itemized account
of a fair that is said to have realized \$400.
The writer says:—

We held a fair last year, and we said we
cleared four hundred dollars. I have
drawn up a little estimate of what that fair
cost us, which I would like to read to you
before we go any farther. There were
fifty women of us, each spending two half
days of each month for four months. If
we reckon our time worth as much as we
pay our washerwomen, we have our first
item of cost:

Two hundred days' work at \$1.50 per day	\$300.00
Initiation fees	12.50
Monthly dues for four months	50.00
Street car fares	10.00
Collections at socials	55.50
One hundred days' work at fair	150.00
Cost of food prepared (very low figures)	100.00
Total,	\$678.00